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various inventions relating to machines involving speech recognition for voice-based operation and : thus illustrate known voice recognition applications:

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U.S. Patent No. 5,111,501 to Masanobu

Shimanuki describes a telephone terminal device
equipped with a transmitter microphone, a

receiver, a speech recognition unit that receives
and recognizes speech signals from the

transmitter microphone and a circuit to reduce
the level of signals send from a telephone
network to the receiver when the speech
recognition unit receives speech signals from the
transmitter microphone. Further, this device is
preferably equipped with a speech reproduction
unit that reproduces the speech information

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